

Reviewing Old Liquor Delivery Services Rules

McGuinty Government Helps Partners Provide Social Good

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Ontario is reviewing old liquor delivery services rules that hinder companies and impede organizations providing social good in communities.

It will be consulting with partners on changes that could allow delivery services, such as those run by charities, to enter into exclusive business relationships with any liquor manufacturer.

Late last week, an exemption was provided to BottleWorks, a company operated by Ottawa charity Operation Come Home, to allow it to deal exclusively with the local Beau's All Natural Brewing Company.

Modernizing the province's liquor laws supports the McGuinty Government's plan to strengthen our economy and create new opportunities for jobs.

QUOTES

" These amendments would support small businesses, increase consumer choice and give liquor delivery services more flexibility."

- John Gerretsen
Attorney General

" This is good news for Operation Come Home and Beau's All Natural Brewing Company. We all know that microbreweries are playing an important role in our local communities, and this is just one example of a partnership that supports an innovative, charitable initiative."

- Grant Crack
MPP, Glengarry-Prescott-Russell

QUICK FACTS

- In the meantime, the province has amended the regulations under the Liquor Licence Act so that licensed liquor delivery services can now buy alcohol directly from any authorized retail store, including small craft breweries and wineries, instead of only from the LCBO or The Beer Store.

- The Liquor Licence Act allows the holder of a liquor delivery service licence to deliver liquor to the public for a fee.
- This year, [Ontario updated its alcohol laws](#) to better serve Ontarians including the elimination of unnecessary barriers for special events, festivals and licensed establishments.
- There are 306 licensed liquor delivery services in Ontario.
- There are more than 40 licensed breweries in Ontario.

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- [Read Ontario's Liquor Licence Act.](#)

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